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Argument Against Appointed Belmont City Clerk BELMONT CITY CLERK

Do not vote to give up your vote! Currently, you have the right to elect the Belmont City Clerk. Keep it!

The City Clerk administers Belmont elections, (like this one), and handles the campaign finance and conflict of interest forms of Belmont officials.

Do you want the politicians being watched to pick the watcher?

No, you want to hold elected officials responsible for what they do -- and do wrong. For example, this measure incorrectly refers to itself as a "general tax measure" in Section 2.⁵ Mistakes in elections can have consequences. If election mistakes ever cause legal problems for Belmont, would you want to hold politicians responsible? Or would you want them to be able to blame the problems on the hired help?

We know everybody in Belmont is honest. But, do you get to make your own change at the grocery store? Are banks left unlocked at night in Belmont?

If you do not feel qualified to choose a good City Clerk, you can just ask the City Council members to recommend someone. If you feel it is just your neighbor who is not qualified to choose a good City Clerk, well, remember that your neighbor gets to vote on this and on a whole lot more, too.

Of course, an extra line on the ballot once in a while, does cost a little money. But democracy is not cheap; it is just better.

Keep your right to vote for Belmont City Clerk.

Vote No on Measure CC

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